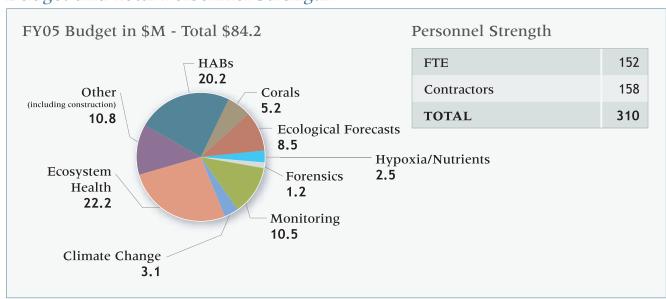
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Russell Callendar, Director

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Center for Coastal Environmental Health and Biomolecular Research

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Fred Holland, Director

Centers' Responsibilities and Highlights

NCCOS currently conducts or supports more than 250 research projects that provide scientific information and tools to help coastal managers make better decisions. These include:

- **Development** of ecological forecasts;
- **Determinations** of the environmental health of U.S. coastal ecosystems;
- Prediction, assessment, and understanding of harmful algal blooms;
- Assessment and characterization of coral reefs throughout the U.S. and its territories;
- · Assessments and predictions of hypoxia and nutrient over-enrichment in estuaries; and
- **Determinations** of the potential effects of climate change on marine resources.